HIBISCUS GROWN IN VAN BUREN, ARKANSAS

Dear Jimmie,

The plants arrived day before yesterday and of course I stopped in my tracks and in the containers they went. I was amazed to see the size of them. Those I previously bought.were small whips 6 to 8 inches tall and about twice the size of match sticks.

For me Auriantica bloomed very poorly last summer, just grew and grew to immense size which of course I pruned back. I closed in my front porch last Fall, faces West and South. It started blooming almost immediately and bloomed continuously all Winter, but the rest of them did too. Alba Lacinatus bloomed extra heavy and one flower set a seed pod that had four well developed seeds which I planted but being ignorant of Hibiscus habits they have failed so far to come thru the ground.

Just now the Iris are in full bloom and so very beautiful this year. I am adding 100 varieties this year including some from Isreal. Also I have Peafowl and quite a few varieties of fancy chickens plus a Registered Jersey Grade A Dairy, so am quite busy.

My greatest pleasure is walking thru the yard in the early morning and each time I'm more amazed at the wondrous skill of the Creator of All Life.

Sincerely,
Richard Hill

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We are starting a new section in the Seed Pod. If you will drop the editor a note we will include your items.

Mrs. Owen Craig, our new director from Ft. Myers, is now in a new home. Her address is Rt. #3, Box 809 Island Park, Ft. Myers. If you wish to write to Mrs. Crain please use the new address.

Tony Kuhn of Floton's in Miami has had a fishing accident that landed him in the hospital with a broken leg and bruised hip. Some days you "should a stood in bed", Tony.

Mr. Lyman Baldwin of Lakeland, Florida passed away suddenly, recently. Mr. Baldwin was a charter member of the Ridge Chapter. He had been a member-at-large even before the Ridge Chapter was organized. The chapter will miss him greatly.

We also understand that we will have a new name appear on the officers list of the AHS. We are told that Jeanne Dewey is changing her name. Seems she took off for the Northland to get her a husband. Congratulations, Jeanne.

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